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1. On 13 August 1952, the Hindenburg Kaserne on the north side of Max Liebermann Strasse, Leipzig (N 52/E 21), was occupied by about 75 soldiers of an air force unit. The headquarters building was apparently vacant. On 22 July, [redacted] office equipment and similar items were transferred to a building at 8 Richter Strasse, Leipzig-Gohlis. Truck [redacted] was parked in front of this building on 6 August. The main building at 8 Richter Strasse was about 60 percent lighted on 11 August. A soldier was in the guard room. An old sign board with the German and Russian inscription "Leipzig Soviet Military Komendatura" was on a garage. (1)

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2. Prior to 13 August, the eastern section of the Flak Kaserne in Schoenau was still occupied by a rear detail of a rocket launcher unit in the strength of about 50 soldiers. The western section quartered an AAA unit of about 150 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. (2)

3. Prior to 13 August, the Flak Kaserne in Heiterblick was still occupied by a rear detail of about 300 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets partly with tank insignia and partly with motor transport insignia. Columns of motor vehicles [redacted] belonged to the Heiterblick Kaserne were repeatedly seen in the town engaged in drivers' training. They included motor vehicles [redacted]

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4. Prior to 11 August, the Flak Kaserne in Heiterblick was occupied by about 200 soldiers. On 28 July, 2 T-34/85 tanks fired at practice targets at a distance of about 150 meters at the training area southeast of the installation, and 3 T-34/85 tanks practiced driving. On 11 August, about 100 soldiers organized into groups of 10 to 20 men each were engaged in field training with small arms.

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[redacted] and driver training trucks [redacted] were seen driving to the installation. (3)

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5. On 31 July, the Flak Kaserne in Schoenau was occupied by about 100 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets including some with artillery insignia. [redacted]

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- 25X1 6. On 2 August, only individual soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets were seen in the Hindenburg Kaserne. Air force officers were also seen. [redacted] the installation quartered between 300 and 400
- 25X1 soldiers. Truck [redacted] with a driver wearing red-bordered black epaulets was seen driving to the installation. (1)
- 25X1 7. On 3 August, a tent camp consisting of between 25 and 30 tents housing about
- 25X1 500 or 600 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets including some with tank insignia was seen in the Oberholz woods, about 10 km southeast of
- 25X1 Leipzig, in the railroad line to Bad Lausick. A total of 18 tanks, [redacted]
- [redacted] tanks, was noticed. Trucks [redacted]
- 25X1 [redacted] each occupied by about 20 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets were identified. (4)
8. On 15 August, about 120 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets who came from Leipzig were seen in the south section of the Pomssen troop training grounds southeast of Leipzig. About 500 Volkspolizei from Leipzig were in a tent camp in the south section of the training grounds. They allegedly had Soviet instructors. (4)
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- 25X1 [redacted] Comments.
- 25X1 (1) The air force construction unit [redacted] is stationed at the Hindenburg
- 25X1 Kaserne. The transfer of the komandatura is reported for the first time.
- 25X1 (2) The information on the Flak Kaserne in Schoenau confirms the absence of the troops. It is believed that the units are located as follows:
- 25X1 The 19th Gds Mecz Regt of the 8th Gds Mecz Div in Koenigsbrueck
- 25X1 where it was confirmed until 4 August.
- 25X1 [redacted]
- 25X1 The 94th RL Regt (US) of the XXIX Gds Mtz Rifle Corps in Kindel
- 25X1 and, with components, temporarily in Altengrabow
- 25X1 where it was confirmed until 2 July.
- 25X1 [redacted]
- 25X1 A regiment of the 13th AAA Div components of which were seen in
- 25X1 Ohrdruf and Wustrow during the preceding months.
- 25X1 (3) The 21st Gds Mecz Regt of the 8th Gds Mecz Div stationed at the Flak Kaserne
- 25X1 in Heiterblick was also confirmed in Koenigsbrueck until 4 August. The unit
- 25X1 which remained at the installation possibly is the tank battalion of this
- 25X1 regiment or a training unit. As a repair shop is also presumed stationed at
- 25X1 the installation, the exact occupation cannot be determined from the
- 25X1 estimated strength. [redacted]
- 25X1 [redacted] The
- 25X1 drivers' training trucks mentioned [redacted] paragraph 4 also belong
- 25X1 to this army and some of them were previously reported. The other numbers
- 25X1 mentioned in paragraph 4 cannot be accounted for.
- 25X1 (4) The training at the Otterwisch-Pomssen troop training grounds which was
- 25X1 continuously reported [redacted] paragraph 8 and was reported for the
- 25X1 first time [redacted] paragraph 7 is constantly changing. [redacted]
- 25X1 [redacted] Volkspolizei are reported from
- 25X1 there for the first time.

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